

Claim Amendments

In response to the Office Action dated April 26, 2005, please amend the claims of the subject application as follows:

1. (currently amended) An amusement ride comprising a ride body and one or more resilient elastomeric support structures formed of polyurethane, each support structure comprising an elastomeric body that includes:

a first connection formation for connection with a supporting foundation, the first connection formation including a first securing region disposed such that material of the elastomeric body is held substantially in compression by a fastener, the first securing region including:

a first flange formed in the elastomeric body;

one or more securing formations that interact with fasteners to secure the elastomeric structure first flange in compression to the supporting foundation;

each securing formation including holes through which fasteners such as bolts are passed;

a second connection formation for connection with the ride body, the second connection formation including a second securing region disposed such that material of the elastomeric body is held substantially in compression by a fastener, the second securing region including:

a second flange formed in the elastomeric body;

one or more securing formations that interact with fasteners to secure the elastomeric structure second flange in compression to the ride body;

each securing formation including holes through which fasteners such as bolts are passed; and

a connection region interconnecting the first and second connection formations ;
~~the elastomeric structure being formed of polyurethane.~~

2. (previously presented) An amusement ride according to claim 1 in which the polyurethane contains an ultraviolet stabilising formulation.
3. (previously presented) An amusement ride according to claim 1 in which the elastomeric body is formed as a one-piece moulding.
4. (canceled)
5. (canceled)
6. (canceled)
7. (canceled)
8. (canceled)
9. (currently amended) An amusement ride according to ~~claim 8~~ claim 1 in which the elastomeric structure includes a respective reinforcement member provided as part of each connection formation.
10. (currently amended) An amusement ride according to claim 9 in which at least one reinforcement member includes an annular element of metal that lies on or adjacent to a ~~flange that is~~ the first flange and the second flange that are formed integrally with the

elastomeric body and hold ~~, and which, in use, holds the flange~~ the first flange and the second flange in compression.

11. (previously presented) An amusement ride according to claim 1 in which the elastomeric body is covered with a defensive cover of chain mail.
12. (previously presented) An amusement ride according to claim 1 in which the support structure is formed integrally with the ride body.
13. (previously presented) An amusement ride according to claim 12 in which the elastomeric body and the ride body are formed as a single moulding.
14. (canceled)
15. (previously presented) An amusement ride according to claim 1 in which the ride body is supported on a single support structure such that it can rock laterally and bounce vertically.
16. (previously presented) An amusement ride according claim 1 in which the ride body is supported upon two spaced supporting members.
17. (previously presented) An amusement ride according to claim 1 that is configured such that one or more riders can sit upon the ride body.
18. (canceled)
19. (previously presented) An amusement ride according to claim 17 in which regions of the ride body with which a rider makes direct contact are integrally skin foamed.

20. (canceled)
21. (previously presented) An amusement ride according to claim 13 having additional components formed as additional mouldings.
22. (previously presented) An amusement ride according to claim 21 in which the additional mouldings are formed of one or both of flexible and rigid material.
23. (previously presented) An amusement ride according to claim 21 in which the additional components are co-moulded with the ride body to cover the additional components.
24. (previously presented) An amusement ride according to claim 21 in which the polyurethane in the region of the additional components is integrally skin foamed.
25. (currently amended) An amusement ride according to claim 1 in which the ride body is shaped include a representation selected from the group consisting ~~an~~ of an animal, a bird, a plant, a car and a rocket.
26. (canceled)
27. (canceled)
28. (canceled)